

Participation key in Hyde School program

By Dave Bourque

BATH—Participation is the key word at Hyde School, where athletes are viewed as part of the curriculum and not extra curricular.

From natural athletes, to part-time athletes to non-athletes, all of Hyde School's 120 students are required to participate in one sport per season.

Freepoint teams losing fields

FREEPPOINT—Athletic teams from the Freepoint public school system may be playing home games on a number of "foreign" sites soon. And they're almost certain to be using home-away-from-home areas when school opens in the fall.

With the Moore Street School addition on the horizon, athletic teams will be involved. Superintendent Robert D. Cernelli said, "The whole athletic area will be affected."

Trick Edgcomb, Freepoint athletic director, said of the Moore Street School addition, "It looks very strongly that football will be played on the Little League fields, both high school and junior high."

Edgcomb said he would like to have Freepoint teams playing home games on one diamond, rather than starting on one field and finishing on another.

Edgcomb is hoping the baseball field will be available through the entire high school schedule, he adds. "The whole key is when they're (contract) going to break ground."

While baseball may make it this season and football is probably headed for the Little League diamonds, there's almost no chance of playing soccer at the school this year.

"It looks like we will play our home games at Pine Tree Academy (Freepoint) next season. We have OHSU through there that we'll have our home games there," Edgcomb said.

Field hockey is also in the air at Freepoint, but the Moore Street School project is going to affect parts of each of the entire outdoor athletic facility situated between Freepoint High School, Freepoint Middle School and the Moore Street School.

the Hyde School policy, which puts most students on the floor for their school five times a day.

Athletic Director Tom McConkey, who has coached everything from track to football to wrestling, said of the Hyde policy, "It's part of the curriculum, an exercise which all prospective Hyde students undergo."

And coach Malcolm Gould, himself an athlete at Bowdoin College, said, "Nothing here is extra curricular."

McConkey said Hyde makes sure in five athletics and those cut into other athletics. "We do not carry so many people," James Richardson has been at Hyde School four years and feels the Hyde policy gives him a needed push. "Before I came here, I never really played football. That gave me a chance to experience another sport."

Richardson has participated in football, basketball and track, and is rated one of Hyde School's top "natural" athletes. And he rated what he termed "involvement" at his school in New York City. That has helped to Richardson at Hyde. "They encouraged me. It was my turning point in sports," he said.

The personal participation may be attending the University of Rhode Island next fall. He said, "I'm hoping the track coach might want to take a look at it."

Summer Malone is a poetess who is completing her fourth year at Hyde School. And, unlike Richardson, her athletic exploits didn't come particularly easy.

From Medina, Ohio, Malone has competed in cross-country running, cross-country skiing and track at Hyde School. "One time coach suggested I try cross country and I was a little bit of a chicken," she said.

"I didn't do anything to the coach (I) do here. I didn't want to run cross country. I wanted to play soccer," Malone said, adding she was encouraged to get into cross-country to take advantage of what Hyde saw in her best potential.

Holder of every female track and cross country long distance record at Hyde School, Malone hopes to attend the University of Vermont next fall, and intends to continue running. "It's given me a lot of confidence and a better understanding of what self-discipline is. I think that will carry over into other things that I do."

Freepoint's Mark Newberg is out from a different mold than Richardson and Malone.

He is not an athlete, yet he's contributed greatly to the Hyde athletic program.

After participating in track, cross country and wrestling, Newberg is keeping busy as student athletic director, where he's responsible for as many as 20 people working under him.

"I have a coordination problem and a perspective problem. When I came to school, they gave me confidence. That's the main thing—confidence. Being in sports is beneficial, but I thought the best way I could contribute to the school was to be a manager," Newberg said.

Bound for Syracuse University and what he hopes is a career in business administration in the fall, Newberg said, "I want to stay in athletics in some way."

I think it's good when you first come but when you get to be a senior you should be allowed to do whatever sport you want," Johnson said.

A number of a Maine team that toured Taiwan and Hawaii last year, Johnson said, "I (Johnson) helped me see that I have a lot of abilities and it helped me relax."

Jonas Marble, the school's football coach and director of the Maine Athletic Development Center, defines the Hyde participation philosophy. "We try to place people in the sport where he or she can realize their potential ultimately. We give them all a chance to develop," Marble said, adding many students wouldn't have had a chance to develop skills otherwise.

Gould, who is headed back to college and further coaching, said, "Everybody struggles before somebody at something here. I don't think we have the element of Olympic. Everybody gets challenged in a way, and if they're talented they run with it. Here we give positive peer pressure among the kids themselves."

And Marble says, "I think to think what some of these public schools could do if they required sports."



Hyde School in Bath offers a varied athletic program to its students, fielding as many as three separate teams in sports such as football and wrestling. (Dave Bourque photo)

Bruins mum, Sabres need wheels

BOSTON (AP)—The biggest problem Coach Gerry Cheevers of the Boston Bruins had was who was going to play in goal tonight in the team's National Hockey League game against the Buffalo Sabres.

While Cheevers had to pick from one of three goalies for the opening game of the Stanley Cup playoff series, the Sabres didn't have quite as many options, thanks to the most newcomers of the season in the Northeast.

The Sabres had planned to arrive in Boston Tuesday and work out at Boston Garden. However the storm kept them from flying out of Buffalo and would have prevented them from leaving here, even if they had managed to take off. If flying out today still proves to be impossible, the team expects to come by bus, which is an eight-hour ride.

Meanwhile, back to Cheevers' "mystery goalie."

"I know and he knows," Cheevers said of his choice, made Tuesday. "I don't want Buffalo to know — yet."

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The choices were veteran Rogie Vachon, and rookie Massimo Ramez and Mike Moffat, who has played in only two games, both victories.

The Buffalo goalie is expected to be Don Edwards in the first game of the best-of-five series. It will be Edwards' third game this season.

The Bruins have been joined by two new players for the playoffs, veteran defenseman Dick Redmond and rookie forward Dave Barr. Both were on hand for a workout Tuesday after arriving from the Erie Blades of the American Hockey League.

Two Boston players still sidelined are Mike Krushchynski, with a hip pointer, and Tom Ferguson, sprained knee. On the other side, Bill Hays and Larry Playfair, sidelined with last season's knee injuries, have been listed as probable starters for the Sabres.

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and Boston's Ray Bourque. "We were so close right to the end. We both play tight hockey. Captain, that's the thing to do."

Skaters perform well

WORCESTER, Mass.—The Bruins' new was well represented on the ice during the recent Worcester Open.

Heidi Sproul, Kendra Jarrett, Erika Degeen and Tanya Sypher of the Skating Club of Brunswick combined talents for two first place and a second place.

Sproul, from Falmouth, grabbed first in the Junior Girls B2 competition and Brunswick's Jarrett was tops in the Preliminary Girls A Division, nine- and-under age group. Degeen and Sypher, both of Brunswick, were awarded second place in the adult pairs competition.

MA Boosters to meet

TOPSHAM—The Mt. Ararat Athletic Boosters are scheduled to meet tonight at the municipal building beginning at 7:30. Discussion of new officers, spring activities and a summer outing are among the items on the agenda. The public is invited to attend.

Fast greens mean higher scores

By Ed Shearer

The Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga.—Defending champion Tom Watson says he won't be surprised if the 40th Masters Golf championship is lost for because of fast greens.

"Franticuous don't describe them," Watson said Tuesday. "They're almost impossible to play now."

Watson, the only two-time winner on the professional tour this year, generally is regarded as the favorite in this elite, international field of 78 that will begin the chase for the season's first major championship on Thursday over the picturesque 3,600-yard, par-72 Augusta National Golf Club course.

Watson, who also won here in 1977, says he's "playing well, but I'm concerned like everybody else about my efforts on the greens."

"I like them fast, as long as they don't get too fast," he added. "If you're on the wrong side of the hole here, you're in trouble. Hitting a 6-iron is like hitting a 6-wood."

He won't expect very few to make par this week and "if we get much wind, even par or 1-over might win."

It usually takes a below-par figure to capture this championship. Only three Masters champions have failed to break par, the last time in 1965 when Jack Nicklaus (against the third of his record five Masters wins) evened par.

Jackie Burke Jr. and Sam Snead each won with 288 scores in 1956 and 1954, respectively.

"You have to hit the ball well to win here this week," Watson added. "It will take a lot more patience, a lot more guts to win here."

Riggins denied in bid for \$\$\$

WASHINGTON (AP)—A bid by Washington Redskins running back Duke Riggins to receive \$100,000 in back pay has been turned down by an arbitrator, who concluded that the team did not improperly prevent Riggins from playing during the 1980 season.

The Washington Post reported in its Wednesday edition that arbitrator Bert L. Haskin made the ruling on Monday. The Post said the decision has been received by both the Redskins and the National Football League Players Association, which supported Riggins in his grievance against the team.

Riggins had claimed that Washington had kept him from playing by placing him on the NFL's left-camp injured list Sept. 1, 1980. After being placed in that category, a player "cannot" be activated for the remainder of the season.

Watson said he hopes the greens don't get much faster because "if the greens get too fast, it causes me to stall and you get a lot of back involved."

Watson, who was earlier in the year at Los Angeles, was victorious in his last start at the Heritage before taking a week off to work on his best potential.

He said the short game will be extremely important with the fast greens playing the ball in the proper position.

"I think 30 to 35 percent of the points on this golf course will be defensive points," he said.

Watson said that windy conditions complicating the problem would be an advantage for the short hitters.

He cited Tom Kite as a use to watch this week. Kite, who won the Ray Hil Club in a playoff, currently is second in this season's money list with \$155,200.

Nicklaus, regarded by many as the best player the game has ever had, hasn't won in six outings this year, but he always ends among the favorites at Augusta.

Jerry Tatum, who tops the 1982 money list with \$100,441, also must be considered one of the top contenders along with Johnny Miller, who tied for second last year and has historically played this course well.

Miller arrived here wondering about his physical condition because he's had little activity since hurting his knee in a skiing fall several weeks ago.

Among others who must be considered are 1976 champion Raymond Floyd, Hale Irwin, 1981 Rogers and Craig Stender.

Only two foreign players have ever won the three-time winner, and Spain's Sewi Ballesteros, who won last year Sunday.

Two Australian contenders figure in the picture before this 72-hole test ends Sunday—Greg Norman and David Graham.

Norman made his Masters debut a year ago and tied for fourth place with a under 280 total. Graham has finished in the Top 10 here in four of his last five Masters.

The long-range weather forecasts call for showers on Friday and Saturday, which would add to the challenge of the fast greens and the swirling wind.

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Voyageurs halted by snow

BRUNSWICK—Something not so sunny happened to the New Brunswick minor league hockey team on its way to Portland last night. They were snowed out without hotel accommodations.

The Voyageurs, who were scheduled to meet the New Brunswick team in the opening game of their American Hockey League playoff series tonight, were stranded in the Portland area before finally finding suitable accommodations at the Interstate Ocean Motel in Brunswick.

Brunswick's Greg Moffat, a former University of New Hampshire student goalie and member of the Voyageurs, had his father Ray, locate a motel for the traveling team, which left Montreal at approximately 6 p.m.

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